

## **Senate Resolution No. 35**

**Introduced by Senators Morrow, Ashburn, Battin, Bowen, Cox,  
Ducheny, Dutton, Harman, Maldonado, Margett, and Soto**

Relative to Robert E. Ham.

WHEREAS, Robert E. Ham has been selected by the Board of Directors of the Off-Road Motor Sports Hall of Fame for induction into the Off-Road Motor Sports Hall of Fame, and it is appropriate at this time to highlight his many achievements and extend to him the special recognition of the public; and

WHEREAS, A lobbyist and off-roader, Bob Ham has served virtually every segment of the sport for years with uncommon effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, Cofounder of the California Off-Road Vehicle Association (CORVA) in 1969, Bob Ham created the Off Road Vehicle Legislative Coalition in 1983 and united all California off-road organizations into a single lobbying effort; and

WHEREAS, Working tirelessly to successfully reestablish the Barstow to Vegas motorcycle race, Bob Ham has finished the “Baja 1000” on three separate occasions as a Driver of Record; and

WHEREAS, During his career, Bob Ham has worked for the Motorcycle Industry Council, Specialty Vehicle Industry Council, and Motorcycle Safety Foundation, and he helped establish the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission through a bill he wrote in 1982; and

WHEREAS, For 13 years, Bob Ham represented the interests of trade associations, businesses, and nonprofit organizations in the areas of transportation, hazardous waste treatment and recycling, energy, and recreation; and

WHEREAS, As a dynamic leader and respected executive, Bob Ham retired from the State of California in 1997 and became Director of Governmental Relations for ROMIC Environmental Technologies Corporation; and

WHEREAS, In March 2002, Bob Ham went to work for the County of Imperial, and he currently serves on the Board of Directors of the California League of Off Road Voters, as well as a handful of other organizations with similar goals; and

WHEREAS, Bob Ham's personal and professional commitments portray his focus on service, and through his efforts, he has made a significant difference in the State of California and in the lives of its people; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate of the State of California,* That the Legislature congratulates Robert E. Ham on his induction into the Off-Road Motor Sports Hall of Fame, commends him for his exemplary record of civic leadership, and extends its sincere best wishes for his success in the future; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

Senate Resolution No. 35 read and adopted by the Senate August 24, 2006.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary of the Senate